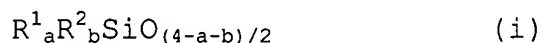


AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A silicone coating composition ~~comprising~~ consisting essentially of as essential components,

(A-1) 100 parts by weight of an organopolysiloxane having at least two alkenyl groups each directly attached to a silicon atom in a molecule, represented by the average compositional formula (i):



wherein  $R^1$  is independently a substituted or unsubstituted monovalent hydrocarbon group exclusive of alkenyl groups,  $R^2$  is an alkenyl group, a and b are numbers:  $0 \leq a \leq 3$ ,  $0 < b \leq 3$  and  $1 \leq a+b \leq 3$ ,

(B-1) an organohydrogenpolysiloxane having at least three hydrogen atoms each directly attached to a silicon atom (i.e., SiH groups) in a molecule, represented by the average compositional formula (ii):



wherein  $R^1$  is as defined above, c and d are numbers:  $0 \leq c \leq 3$ ,  $0 < d \leq 3$  and  $1 \leq c+d \leq 3$ , in such an amount that the moles of silicon-

bonded hydrogen atoms is 1 to 5 times the moles of alkenyl groups in component (A-1),

(C) 5 to 150 parts by weight of a silicone rubber fine powder having an average particle size of 0.5 to 20  $\mu\text{m}$ , and

(D-1) a catalytic amount of an addition reaction catalyst.

2. (Original) A silicone coating composition comprising as essential components,

(A-2) 100 parts by weight of an organopolysiloxane having at least two silanol groups in a molecule, represented by the average compositional formula (iii):



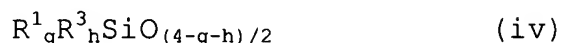
wherein  $\text{R}^1$  is independently a substituted or unsubstituted monovalent hydrocarbon group exclusive of alkenyl group,  $e$  and  $f$  are numbers:  $0 \leq e \leq 3$ ,  $0 < f \leq 3$  and  $1 \leq e+f \leq 3$ ,

(B-2) an organohydrogenpolysiloxane having at least three hydrogen atoms each directly attached to a silicon atom (i.e.,  $\text{SiH}$  groups) in a molecule, represented by the average compositional formula (ii):



wherein  $R^1$  is as defined above,  $c$  and  $d$  are numbers:  $0 \leq c \leq 3$ ,  $0 < d \leq 3$  and  $1 \leq c+d \leq 3$ , in such an amount that the moles of silicon-bonded hydrogen atoms is 5 to 200 times the moles of silanol groups in component (A-2), or

an organopolysiloxane having at least three hydrolyzable groups each directly attached to a silicon atom in a molecule, represented by the average compositional formula (iv):



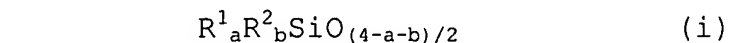
wherein  $R^1$  is as defined above,  $R^3$  is a hydrolyzable group,  $g$  and  $h$  are numbers:  $0 \leq g \leq 3$ ,  $0 < h \leq 3$  and  $1 \leq g+h \leq 3$ , in such an amount that the moles of hydrolyzable groups is 5 to 200 times the moles of silanol groups in component (A-2),

(C) 5 to 150 parts by weight of a silicone rubber fine powder having an average particle size of 0.5 to 20  $\mu\text{m}$ , and

(D-2) a catalytic amount of a condensation reaction catalyst.

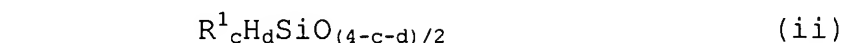
3. (Currently Amended) ~~The A~~ A silicone coating composition ~~of claim 1 wherein the silicone rubber fine powder (C) has been surface coated with polyorganosilsesquioxane~~ consisting essentially of as essential components,

(A-1) 100 parts by weight of an organopolysiloxane having at least two alkenyl groups each directly attached to a silicon atom in a molecule, represented by the average compositional formula (i):



wherein R<sup>1</sup> is independently a substituted or unsubstituted monovalent hydrocarbon group exclusive of alkenyl groups, R<sup>2</sup> is an alkenyl group, a and b are numbers: 0 ≤ a ≤ 3, 0 < b ≤ 3 and 1 ≤ a+b ≤ 3,

(B-1) an organohydrogenpolysiloxane having at least three hydrogen atoms each directly attached to a silicon atom (i.e., SiH groups) in a molecule, represented by the average compositional formula (ii):



wherein R<sup>1</sup> is as defined above, c and d are numbers: 0 ≤ c ≤ 3, 0 < d ≤ 3 and 1 ≤ c+d ≤ 3, in such an amount that the moles of silicon-bonded hydrogen atoms is 1 to 5 times the moles of alkenyl groups in component (A-1),

(C) 5 to 150 parts by weight of a silicone rubber fine powder having an average particle size of 0.5 to 20  $\mu\text{m}$  and having been surface coated with polyorganosilsesquioxane, and

(D-1) a catalytic amount of an addition reaction catalyst.

4. (Original) A release sheet comprising a cured coating of the silicone composition of claim 1.

5. (New) The silicone coating composition of claim 2 wherein the silicone rubber fine powder (C) has been surface coated with polyorganosilsesquioxane.

6. (New) A release sheet comprising a cured coating of the silicone composition of claim 2.

7. (New) A release sheet comprising a cured coating of the silicone composition of claim 3.

8. (New) The silicone coating composition of claim 2, which consists essentially of the essential components (A-2), (B-2), (C) and (D-2).

9. (New) A method for making a silicone coating composition which consists essentially of mixing together as essential components the components (A-1), (B-1), (C) and (D-1) recited in claim 1.